Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 RABAT 04082 271223Z

50

ACTION OPIC-12

INFO OCT-01 NEA-14 ISO-00 EB-11 AID-20 COME-00 SS-20 NSC-07

TRSE-00 INT-08 INR-11 CIAE-00 NSAE-00 FRB-03 CIEP-03

FEA-02 /112 W

----- 069934

R 271148Z AUG 74 FM AMEMBASSY RABAT TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2986 INFO AMCONSUL CASABLANCA AMEMBASSY TUNIS

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE RABAT 4082

E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: EINV MO

SUBJECT: OPIC INVESTMENT MISSION

REF: STATE 155457

- 1. EMBASSY AND CONGEN CASABLANCA RECOMMEND THAT PLANS GO FORWARD FOR OPIC ORGANIZED INVESTMENT MISSION TO MOROCCO MARCH OR APRIL 1975.
- 2. WHILE THE PROBLEMS RE OIL NEGOTIATIONS DISCUSSED WITH OPIC REP MIDDLETON REMAIN UNRESOLVED, THERE ARE SOME INDICATIONS THAT REASONABLE RESOLUTION IS POSSIBLE WELL BEFORE SCHEDULED LATE SPRING ARRIVAL OF MISSION. MORE IMPORTANT, A FAVORABLE RESOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM WOULD MAKE THE MISSION VIST A VERY DESIRABLE FOLLOW ON. ON THE OTHER HAND, IF THE OIL NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BOG DOWN OR TAKE A BAD TURN, WE EXPECT TO BE AWARE OF IT BY MID-OCTOBER AT THE LATEST AND WOULD STILL BE IN A POSITION TO PROPOSE POSTPONEMENT OR EVEN CANCELLATION OF THE MISSION VISIT (UNCOMFORTABLE AS THAT MIGHT BE) IN ORDER AVOID BOTH EMBARRASSMENT AND THE SPECTACLE OF ONE GROUP OF US FIRMS BEING BADLY HURT WHILE OTHERS ARE HERE OFFERING NEW INVESTMENTS. IN SUM, IT WOULD BE BETTER TO PLAN THE MISSION AND BE IN POSITION TO POSTPONE OR CANCEL IT IF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 RABAT 04082 271223Z

NECESSARY THAN TO SHELVE THE PLAN NOW AND THEN HAVE THE OIL

NEGOTIATIONS SUCCEED AND HAVE NO MEANINGFUL FOLLOW-ON ACTIVITY.

3. THE OPIC INVESTMENT MISSION CAN MAKE A VERY USEFUL CONTRIBUTION TO A SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT IN MOROCCAN-AMERICAN RELATIONS AS WELL AS PROVIDE A SIGNIFICANT BOOST FOR US FOREIGN ECONOMIC POLICY OVER THE LONG RUN.
COON

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994 Channel Indicators: n/a

Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Concepts: FOREIGN INVESTMENT, PETROLEUM, VISITS, NEGOTIATIONS

Control Number: n/a Copy: SINGLE Draft Date: 27 AUG 1974 Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960 Decaption Note: Disposition Action: RELEASED Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: martinml
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974RABAT04082

Document Number: 1974RABAT04082 Document Source: CORE Document Unique ID: 00

Drafter: n/a Enclosure: n/a Executive Order: N/A Errors: N/A

Film Number: D740236-0801

From: RABAT

Handling Restrictions: n/a

Image Path:

Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19740815/aaaaaman.tel

Line Count: 68

Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM Office: ACTION OPIC

Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE Original Handling Restrictions: n/a

Original Previous Classification: n/a Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a

Page Count: 2

Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a Reference: STATE 155457

Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: martinml

Review Comment: n/a Review Content Flags: Review Date: 22 AUG 2002

Review Event:

Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <22 AUG 2002 by izenbei0>; APPROVED <05 MAR 2003 by martinml>

Review Markings:

Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier: Review Referrals: n/a Review Release Date: n/a Review Release Event: n/a **Review Transfer Date:** Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a

Secure: OPEN Status: NATIVE

Subject: OPIC INVESTMENT MISSION

TAGS: EINV, MO, OPIC, (MIDDLETON, CARL H)

To: STATE

Type: TE

Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005